GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

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Rail Connectivity to Shirdi
Khuba Shri Bhagwanth

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Railways proposes to improve rail connectivity in Nanded via Bidar to Shirdi in view of religious and historical importance of Shirdi;
(b) if so, the details thereof; and
(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN)

(a)to (c): Both Nanded and Bidar have rail connectivity with Shirdi via Rotegaon and Daund respectively. In order to provide an alternate shorter route from Bidar and Nanded to Shirdi via Latur Road-Parli-Vaijnath-Beed-Ahmednagar-Puntamba a new line project from Ahmednagar to Parli Vaijnath via Beed (261 km) has been taken up at an anticipated cost of `2826 crore. An expenditure of `195 crore has been incurred upto March, 2016 and an outlay of `402 crore has been provided for 2016-17.
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